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Sent: 6/18/2018 8:28:20 PM
To: Ruhl, Suzi [Ruhl.Suzi@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Issue in Region 8 EJ

Here is the issue from Region 9.

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From: Reyes, Deldi
Sent: Wednesday, June 13, 2018 11:01 AM
To: Belille, Jean <Belille.Jean@epa.gov>
Cc: Grass, Running <Grass.Running@epa.gov>; Grow, Richard <Grow.Richard@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Issue in Region 8 EJ

Jean thanks for your recent voicemail, my apologies for not getting back to you sooner.

Copying Richard here, our lead for EJ in permitting.

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I would look myself but I'm away from my laptop this morning.

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I believe that our program in its permit decision treated EJ and cultural resources separately and linked the CR issues exclusively to the NHPA consultation which was also viewed by the same advocates (that include Greenaction) as deeply flawed.

Deldi

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 13, 2018, at 9:27 AM, Belille, Jean <Belille.Jean@epa.gov> wrote:

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Deldi and Running Grass, Region 8 has undertaken issuing 2 Underground Injection Control (UIC) Area Permits to Powertech (USA) Inc., for injection activities related to uranium recovery. We are meeting with HQ personnel next week and may be meeting with Suzi Rule as well on this issue. The proposed project is located in the southern Black Hills within South Dakota. The UIC wells include a Class III Area Permit for injection wells for the in-situ recovery (ISU) of uranium and a UIC Class V Area Permit for deep injection wells that would be used to dispose of ISR process waste fluids. Waste injected under the Class V permit must be treated prior to being injected and must meet all radioactive waste and hazardous waste standards. Monitoring of the Class III injection well fields will take place, before, during, and after ISR operations to ensure the underground sources of drinking water are protected.

The Region is also proposing an aquifer exemption approval in connection with the UIC Class III Area Permit. Consultation and coordination with several interested Tribes has been ongoing to identify potential effects on traditional cultural places, historical and sacred sites. An EJ Analysis was completed as part of the issuance of these permits and currently the Region is trying to respond to public comments for these proposed permitting actions.

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